9. Application

This Bye-law shall apply within the area of authority of the Assembly.

SECTION 15 -SANITATION

In exercise of the powers conferred on the Oforikrom Municipal Assembly by section 181 of the Local Governance Act, 2016 (Act 936) hereby make these Bye-Laws:

1. Title

This Bye-law may be cited as Oforikrom Municipal Assembly (Sanitation) Bye-Laws, 2019.

2. Disposal of Refuse

a. Where the *OFMA* has set aside a place and provided dustbins for the disposal of refuse a person shall not place, cause or permit to be placed any carrion, filth, refuse or rubbish or any offensive or unwholesome matter, on any street, yard, premises, enclosure or open space within the Municipality.

b. If any offender under Bye-Law 1(a) of this Bye-law has not been identified or discovered the existence of any carrion or other substance mentioned in the said section found close to any building shall be presumed to have been placed by the owner or occupier thereof.

3. **Removal of weeds and rubbish**

a. That occupier of any premises shall clear and keep free from all dirt, under bush, under-wood, weeds, high grass, rubbish, rags, broken bottles and all offensive matter (filling up holes with stones, gravel, or other like materials) the streets or roads at the front, back sides, thereof, with the drains, gutters and channels, thereon.

b. Provided that where two or more buildings abound on the streets or roads, the occupier of each shall keep clean only that half of the street or road and drains nearest to his/her premises,

c. No owner of a premises or caretaker or occupier shall direct his or her domestic wastewater into a public drain.

4. Prohibition

a. A person shall not cause a nuisance in any public or open space.
b. No occupier of any premises shall by any act, allow the existence of a nuisance in his premises

5. Food wrapper

a. Food seller shall not serve food in anything unless due care has been taken to make sure the food wrappers are hygienic;

b. A designated officer of the Environmental Health Department shall have the responsibility of ensuring the compliance of this section of the Bye-law.

6. Prohibition of deposit of gutter

a. A person shall not deposit litter, refuse or other matter which may cause nuisance or block the passage provided for a gutter or drains.

b. A person who intentionally flouts Bye-Law 5(a) shall be issued with ticket spot fine of 50 penalty units issued by official set up under this bye-law for this exercise.

c. Such money collected shall be receipted with the general counterfoil receipt of the *OFMA* and shall be paid into the accounts of the *OFMA*

7. Offence and Penalty

Any person who contravenes any of these Bye-laws commits an offence and shall on conviction be liable to a fine between **150 and 250 penalty units** payable *to **OFMA*** or imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months or both.

8. Interpretation

In these Bye-laws unless the context otherwise requires "Nuisance" includes:

a. A pool, ditch caves-gutter, water course, well, hole, pond, tank-privy, urinal, cesspool, drains or KVIP which is in such a bad state to constitute a health hazard.
b. An animal so kept as to be injurious to health;
c. An accumulation or deposit of excreta or urine or things, which are or are likely to be injurious to health.
d. Premises in such a state of disrepair as to be dangerous to the health of man or livestock.
e. A growth of weeds prickly pear, long grass or wild bush of any sort.
f. Any work, manufacturing, trade or business that is or likely to be injurious to health of neighbours

A well, pond or tank, the water of which is tainted with impurities as to be injurious to the health of man or livestock.

"Occupier" shall where the building is not in actual occupation include the owner thereof.

9. Application

These Bye-laws shall apply within the area of authority of the *OFMA*

10. Revocation

Any Sanitation Bye-laws within the area of authority of the Assembly in existence immediately before the coming into force of these Bye-laws are hereby revoked.

SECTION 16 - CLEANSING

In exercise of the powers conferred on the Oforikrom Municipal Assembly by section 181 of the Local Governance Act, 2016 (Act 936) hereby make this Bye -Laws:

1. Title

This Bye-law may be cited as Oforikrom Municipal Assembly (Cleansing) Bye-Laws, 2019.